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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : Financial Guidance - FY 1979 (U)

REFERENCE : Memorandum from the Comptroller to Multiple
Addressees, dated 8 November 1977, Subject:
FY 1979 Congressional Budget Submission

1.(S) The Director of Central Intelligence has completed his review
of the FY 1979 Budget Estimates for the National Foreign Intelligence
Program and reached his decisions about the resources he will ask the
President to include in the budget submitted to Congress in January. For
your Directorate, the approved resource levels are [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The derivation of these figures is shown in the attachment.

2.(A/IUO) The Director's review was based upon the approved programs
of the Agency as compiled from the zero-base budget submissions, prepared by
each of the Directorates, which represented your best judgment at the time
about how your resources should be allocated to meet your requirements. The
programs you proposed, as well as the reductions themselves shown in the
attachment, have been specifically identified in the DCI review process and
must be reflected in your FY 1979 Congressional Budget request accordingly.
If, for any reason, you find the reductions as specified unacceptable, or
if you propose to apply them in some other way, you are requested first to
seek the approval of the Comptroller, explaining what changes you propose
to make and the reasons for them. We will attempt to accommodate your
requests in any way we can consistent with the zero-base review process
which provided the basis for the actions taken.

3.(A/IUO) You should bear in mind that the program as approved by
the Director is still subject to OMB and Presidential review. Further
changes may result from that process and will have to be reflected in your
Congressional Budget submission. We will advise you as soon as we know what
actions, if any, taken by the President affect your program.

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James H. Taylor
Comptroller

Attachment: As stated

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